ports to be. The petition need not contain the text of the ordi- Petition need not nance to which it refers. The petition need not be all on one Petitions on sepasheet, and if on more than one sheet, it shall be verified as to each rate sheets. sheet.

3. Sufficiency of petition. The clerk shall investigate the suffi- Clerk to investiciency of the petition and present it to the governing body with petition. a certificate stating the result of his investigation. The govern- Certificate, ing body shall thereupon determine the sufficiency of the petition Determination as and the determination of the governing body shall be conclusive, clusive.

2948. Elections on bond issue:

1. What majority required. If a bond ordinance provides for Majority of the issuance of bonds for a purpose other than the payment of qualified voters. necessary expenses of the municipality, the approval of a majority of the qualified voters of the municipality, as required by the Constitution of North Carolina, shall be necessary in order to make the ordinance operative. If, however, the bonds are to be issued Majority of for necessary expenses, the affirmative vote of the majority of the votes cast; voters voting on the bond ordinance shall be sufficient to make it operative, in all cases where the ordinance is required by this act to be submitted to the voters.

2. When election held. Whenever the taking effect of an ordi- Election within nance authorizing the issuance of bonds is dependent upon the six months. approval of the ordinance by the voters of a municipality, the governing body may submit the ordinance to the voters at an election to be held not more than six months after the passage of the ordinance. The governing body may call a special election for that Special election. purpose or may submit the ordinance to the voters at the regular municipal election next succeeding the passage of the ordinance, but no such special election shall be held within one month before or after a regular election. Several ordinances or other matters Several questions may be voted upon at the same election.

submitted.

Registration on

3. New registration. The governing body of the city or town New registration in which such election is held may, in their discretion, order a optional. new registration of the voters for such election. The books for Registration. such new registration shall remain open in each precinct from nine a. m. to six p. m. on each day, except Sundays and holidays, for three weeks, beginning on a Monday morning and ending on the second Saturday evening before the election. A registrar and two Election officers. judges of election shall be appointed by the governing body for each precinct. Provided that the books shall be open at the poll-Proviso: ing places on each Saturday during the registration period. Suf-Registration ficient notice shall be deemed to have been given of such new reg- Notice of istration and of the appointment of the election officers if a notice election officers. thereof be published at least thirty (30) days before the closing of the registration books, stating the hours and days for registration. It shall not be necessary to specify in said notice the places Places of registrafor registration. In case the registrar shall fail or refuse for any tion.